

TOWN OF CAPITOL HEIGHTS

POLICE DEPARTMENT

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TO: All Agency Personnel

REF: Responding to calls for service

This Order is Self-Canceling

This order is being issued after several conversations with the Chiefs of Police throughout Prince George's County, Maryland. In an effort to keep our first responders safe during this national pandemic and to increase social distancing between law enforcement and the civilian population, the Capitol Heights Police Department will adopt the response policy of the Prince George's County Police Department. The Capitol Heights Police Department will no longer respond to Non-Violent Crimes. All Non-Violent Crime Reports will be taken telephonically. Citizens will call the nonemergency phone number for Prince George's County Police Department, 311 or 301 352-1200. The call taker will get the victim's name and phone number, and specific call for service. Prince George's Communication will notify the Capitol Heights Police Officer on duty and relay the victim's information. The Capitol Heights Police Officer will respond to the Capitol Heights Police station and contact the victim via telephone and take the report. The Officer will advise that a report will be written and supply the victim with a case number.

This process will remain in place as way to keep our citizens and officers safe from the COVID 19 virus. This process will be implemented starting at midnight 1600 hours on Monday March 23, 2020. The telephonic reporting is completed when there is not an emergency call i.e., there is no danger in loss of life or physical injury, the suspect is no longer on the scene and no act of violence was committed causing a medical response. The telephonic reporting process will remain in place 24 hours, seven days until further notice.

The Town of Capitol Heights and the Capitol Heights Police Department is committed to the continued safety of our citizens and will continue to remain on the front lines as we navigate through these trying times. Remember to exercise social distancing, hand-washing and keep hands away from eyes, nose and ears.

Stay Safe;

Chief M. Cummings